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For: METHOD AND SENSOR DEVICE FOR MONITORING
A LASER MACHINING OPERATION TO BE
PERFORMED ON A WORK PIECE AS WELL AS A
LASER MACHINING HEAD WITH A SENSOR
DEVICE OF THIS KIND

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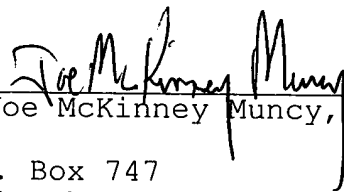
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